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# Memorandum

TO : CF/Chief, Flight Crew Support Division

FROM : PF/Chief, CSM Project Engineering Division

SUBJECT: Changes to Apollo Operations Handbook to support Spacecraft 104

COPY TO J. Swigert CF22 Baker  
1-16-69

J. SMOTHERMAN

L. De WOLF

G. STEELE

E. DEMENT

DATE: JAN 15 1969

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In reply refer to:  
PF2-0/42-69

The following changes to the AOH (Apollo Operations Handbook) should be made to support the S/C 104 mission:

a. In the event the CO<sub>2</sub> sensor causes a master alarm to activate during the mission, the CO<sub>2</sub> sensor is to be deactivated by pulling circuit breaker number thirty-four on panel 5. This procedure change is being made because of marginal operation of the CO<sub>2</sub> sensor, and because the sensor is not mandatory for the S/C 104 mission. Coincident with the change to the AOH, the CO<sub>2</sub> measurement priority in the Flight Mission Rules is downgraded from "Mandatory" to "Highly Desirable".

b. Previous direction for positioning of RCS solenoid valves, which are closed from approximately T-20 minutes on launch day, is rescinded. The RCS solenoid valve shall be open at approximately T-20 minutes on launch day. Appropriate changes should be made to the AOH to reflect this change.

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Because CO<sub>2</sub> HI relates to a failure (sensor or otherwise) the above affects CSM Malfunction Procedure RCS Symptom 12 only - no normal or backup procedures. By pulling CB34, redundant power is removed from the following instrumentation (ref. FOD schematics):

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1. It was recommended to H. Reese that the aforementioned Malf. Proc. be revised - but should reflect a crew option rather than a requirement. It is intended to add a remark to the Malf. Proc. to the effect that if the crew elects to extinguish the light - power will be removed from the CO<sub>2</sub> meter and redundant power will be removed from the above listed instrumentation by opening CB31. Changing the Malf. Proc. has been discussed with J. Swigert. H. Reese concurs with FCSD recommended action per telecon, 1-16-69. J. L. Baker

Gly evap steam press sensor  
O<sub>2</sub> supply manif press sensor  
Cabin press sensor  
O<sub>2</sub> Flow rate sensor

NOTE: CSM FOD schematic of Power Distribution Matrix Main Bus F.9 3.2 dated Dec. 19, 1968, appears erroneous and incompatible with ECS schematics (same handbook) - i.e., Pwr Distribution F.9 3.2 indicate MN B PWR (CB35) powers CO<sub>2</sub> Partial Pressure Sensor.

CSM 2462 initiated to CLOSE RCS valves in response to G. Low, Memo PA8-12-K9, dated 12-19-68. This memo reversed by Low, memo PA9-1-10, dated 1-9-69, as well as this A. Cohen memo.

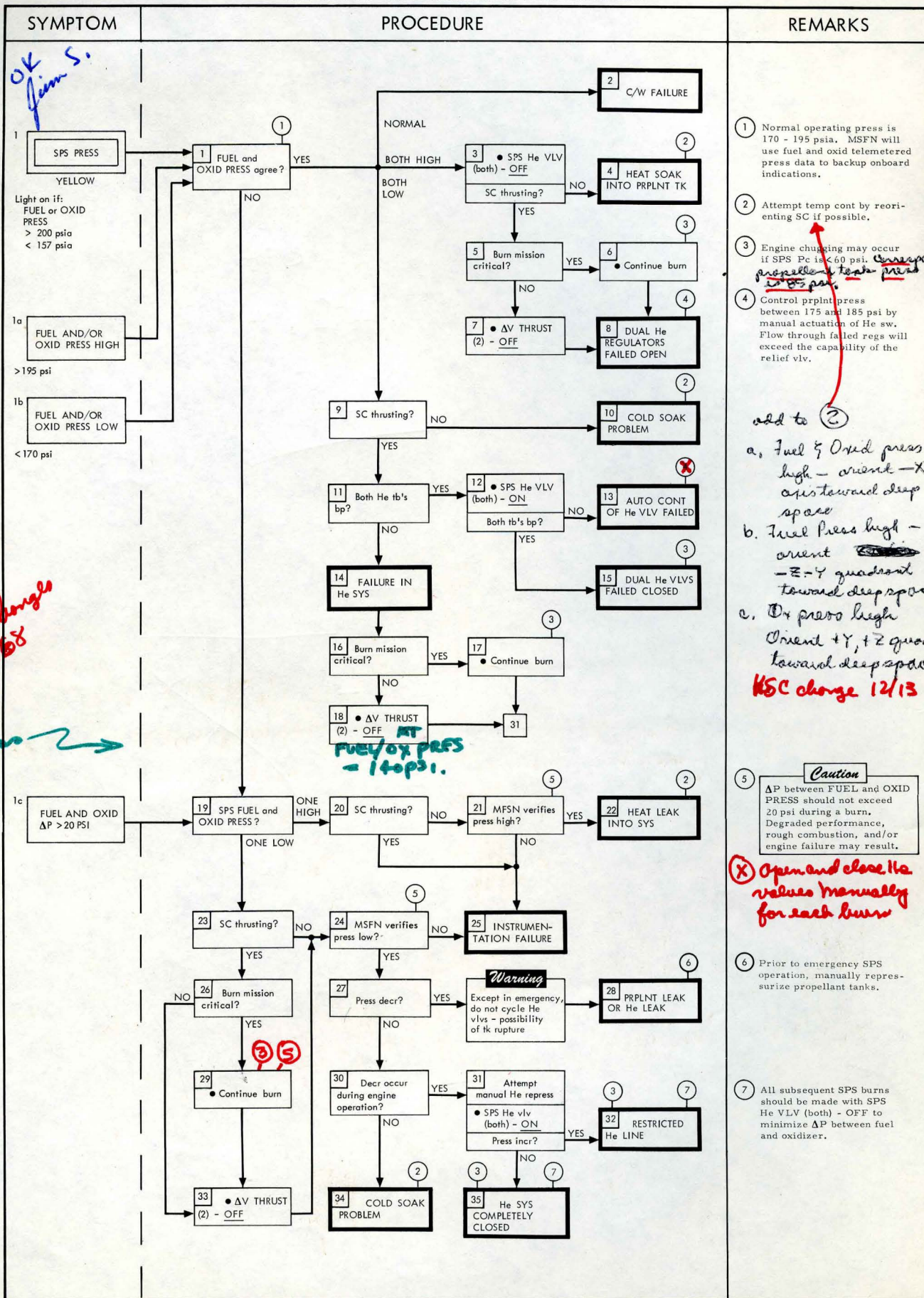
CSM 2462 disapproved 1-14-69 - subject valves remain OPEN at launch in AOH.

*will incorporate*





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<p><i>OK Jim S.</i></p> <p>2 PREMATURE SPS SHUTDOWN</p> <p>2a NO SPS IGNITION</p>	<p>1 SPS THRUST It on?</p> <p>2 Dual bank operation?</p> <p>3 SPS - SCS CIRCUITRY FAILED</p> <p>4 All SPS INJ VLVs closed?</p> <p>5 cb SPS PILOT VLV A MNA (B MNB) open?</p> <p>6 VLV PAIR FAILED CLOSED</p> <p>7 ENG VLV CIRCUITRY SHORTED</p> <p>8 Burn mission critical?</p> <p>9 ΔV THRUST A (B) - OFF</p> <p>10 Reignite engine</p> <p>11 SC control?</p> <p>12 ΔV test</p> <p>13 Output CHAN check</p> <p>14 ΔV COUNTER ZERO SENSE FAILED</p> <p>15 WIRING OR SCS THRUST LOGIC FAILED</p> <p>16 CMC INTERNAL FAILURE</p> <p>G&amp;N SSR-1 CMC SELF TEST</p>	<p>1 If CMC burn, SPS THRUST ON It will be on for only a few seconds after SPS shutdown.</p> <p>2 SPS functions lost.</p> <p>3 Use alternate SPS bank for future ΔV's.</p> <p>4 Engine restart should not be attempted within 5 seconds from initial ignition in order to avoid undesirable helium pressure excursions.</p> <p>5 Not possible to distinguish between these two failures.</p>
<p><i>OK Jim S.</i></p> <p>3 SPS ENG DOES NOT SHUT DOWN AUTOMATICALLY</p> <p><i>OK.</i></p> <p><i>103 change at KSC on 12/3 new boxes 9, 11, 13, 14 OK?</i></p>	<p>1 SPS THRUST It on?</p> <p>2 SCS MNA (B) MNB (A) open?</p> <p>3 SPS - SCS CIRCUITRY FAILED</p> <p>4 SPS INJ VLVs closed?</p> <p>5 SCS PILOT VLV A MNA (B MNB) open?</p> <p>6 VLV PAIR FAILED CLOSED</p> <p>7 ENG VLV CIRCUITRY SHORTED</p> <p>8 Burn mission critical?</p> <p>9 ΔV THRUST A (B) - OFF</p> <p>10 Reignite engine</p> <p>11 SC control?</p> <p>12 ΔV test</p> <p>13 Output CHAN check</p> <p>14 ΔV COUNTER ZERO SENSE FAILED</p> <p>15 WIRING OR SCS THRUST LOGIC FAILED</p> <p>16 CMC INTERNAL FAILURE</p> <p>G&amp;N SSR-1 CMC SELF TEST</p>	<p>1 Assumes SPS ENG has been shut down with the ΔV thrust switches.</p> <p>2 Subsequent ΔV's should be performed on unaffected bank (failed bank can be determined by MSFN from TLM and by crew from SPS INJ VLV Ind). Failed bank may be used in an emergency by placing associated ΔV THRUST sw ON at T IGN.</p> <p>3</p> <p>4</p>

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103 note 'is good'

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# SPS MALFUNCTION



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8 He PRESS LOW OR DECR	<p>1 MSFN verifies SPS He PRESS low or decr?</p> <p>YES → 2 LEAK IN He SUPPLY</p> <p>NO → 3 He INSTRUMENTATION FAILURE</p>	<p>1 MSFN will monitor redundant He press instrumentation.</p> <p>2 He depletion imminent. SPS engine operable until engine indications require shutdown. Engine chugging may occur if SPS Pc is &lt;60 psi. <i>Corresponding propellant press. @ 35 psi.</i></p>
9 GN2 A (B) PRESS LOW <400 PSI	<p>1 Ind check</p> <p>• SPS PRESS IND sw - N2A, (N2B), He</p> <p>Press normal? YES → 3 GN2 A (B) LEAK OR FAILED SNSR</p> <p>NO → 2 IND FAILED</p> <p>3 → 4 • Operate engine on alternate bank</p>	<p>1 Operation at &lt;350 psi results in partially open ball vlvs and hazardous engine operation.</p>
10 SPS INJ VLV IND ABNORMAL  One open during non-thrusting One or two closed during burn period (or burn attempt)	<p>1 SPS thrusting?</p> <p>YES → 2 Double or single bank operation?</p> <p>DOUBLE → 3 • Continue burn</p> <p>MSFN verifies vlv closed? YES → 4 ONE PAIR OF BALL VLVs FAILED CLOSED</p> <p>NO → 6 INSTRUMENTATION FAILURE</p> <p>SINGLE → 5 INSTRUMENTATION FAILURE</p> <p>NO → 7 MSFN verifies vlv open?</p> <p>YES → 8 ONE PAIR OF BALL VLVs FAILED OPEN</p> <p>NO → 9 INSTRUMENTATION FAILURE</p> <p>8 → 10 • AV THRUST (Failed bank) - OFF</p>	<p>1 SPS operable on redundant bank if one bank failed.</p> <p>2 Failed bank should not be used except in an emergency.</p>
11 NO PRPLNT TEMP CONTROL	<p>1 SPS prplnt temp?</p> <p>LOW AND DECR → 2 • SYS TEST (2) - 5A</p> <p>SPS oxid line temp low? NO → 3 INSTRUMENTATION FAILURE</p> <p>YES → 6 • SPS LINE HTRS - A/B</p> <p>Temp incr? YES → 7 SPS LINE HTRS A INSUFFICIENT OR FAILED OFF</p> <p>NO → 10 SPS LINE HTRS A &amp; A/B FAILED OFF</p> <p>HIGH AND INCR → 4 • SYS TEST (2) - 5A</p> <p>SPS oxid line temp high? YES → 5 SPS LINE HTRS FAILED ON</p> <p>NO → 8 INSTRUMENTATION FAILURE</p> <p>5 → 9 • cb SPS HTRS GAUGING (2) - open</p>	<p>1 Normal range 55-75°F</p> <p>2 Assumes SC not in inertial hold mode which might normally result in differences between SPS prplnt temp and SPS oxid line temp</p> <p>3 Use oxid line temp for SPS PRPLNT temp.</p> <p>4 cb SPS HTRS GAUGING (2) should be closed before SPS engine operation.</p> <p>5 Prplnt temp may be incr by SC orientation or by firing SPS engine. <i>At 27°F the propellants become slushy and the O/F ratio becomes unpredictable</i></p>

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<p>12 NO RESPONSE OF SPS OXID VLV to DURING FLOW ADJUST</p> <p>(OXID FLOW VLV PRIM - PRIM)</p>	<p>1</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>OXID FLOW VLV INCR - NORM</li> <li>after 5 seconds:</li> <li>OXID FLOW VLV PRIM - SEC</li> <li>OXID FLOW VLV INCR - INCR (DECR)</li> </ul> <p>OXID FLOW VLV to correct? YES → 2 PRIM OXID FLOW VLV FAILED</p> <p>NO → 3 OXID FLOW VLV to FAILED</p> <p>4</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>OXID FLOW VLV INCR - NORM</li> <li>after 5 seconds:</li> <li>OXID FLOW VLV PRIM - PRIM</li> <li>OXID FLOW VLV INCR sw - as desired</li> </ul> <p><i>Handwritten notes:</i> "The 'after 5 sec' goes with the next step so move to margin", "wait five seconds", "NR will do this"</p>	<p>① The OXID FLOW VLV INCR sw cannot operate unless power is applied through a THRUST ON signal or through the SPS QTY TEST sw. If flow vlv position was changed by the SPS QTY TEST sw, fuel and oxid quantity readouts must be returned to the original values.</p> <p>② Sec vlv has sufficient range to compensate for prim vlv failure in any position and still provide vlv openings for INCR, NORM or DECR oxid flow.</p> <p>③ The Secondary sliding gate vlv must be in the nominal flow position (rather than INCR or DECR) before switching to the PRIM OXID FLOW VLV or misalignment of the secondary vlv could make the primary vlv inoperative.</p>
<p>13 SPS OXID UNBAL IND ERRATIC OR PEGGED</p>	<p>1</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>PUG MODE - AUX</li> </ul> <p>OXID UNBAL Ind normal? YES → 5 PRIM UNBAL SYS FAILED</p> <p>NO → 2 UNBAL Ind check</p> <p>3</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>SPS QTY TEST - 1 for 10 sec, then 2 for 10 sec</li> </ul> <p>OXID UNBAL Ind norm? YES → 5 PRIM UNBAL SYS FAILED</p> <p>NO → 3 OXID UNBAL Ind FAILED</p> <p>4</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Return to normal PUG mode</li> <li>PUG MODE - PRIM</li> <li>Perform qty test</li> <li>PUG MODE - NORM</li> </ul>	<p>① Assumes qty indicating sys normal.</p> <p>② Assumes SC is still thrusting. If thrust has terminated, proceed with step 2.</p> <p>③ Actuation of SPS QTY TEST sw here will realign digital display to prim sys.</p>
<p>14 SPS OXID (FUEL) QTY IND READOUT ABNORMAL</p>	<p>1</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>PUG MODE - AUX</li> <li>SPS QTY TEST - 1</li> <li>Incr % oxid by 5.0%</li> <li>% FUEL (% OXID) readout normal?</li> </ul> <p>YES → 2 Prim qty test</p> <p>NO → 4 Aux qty test</p> <p>2</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Prim qty test</li> <li>SPS QTY TEST - 1</li> <li>Incr % oxid by 5.0%</li> <li>% Fuel incr by 4±1%?</li> </ul> <p>YES → 3 CAPACITANCE PROBE FAILED</p> <p>NO → 5 PRIM SYS SERVO AMP FAILED</p> <p>3</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Use aux sys</li> <li>PUG MODE - AUX</li> </ul> <p>4</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Aux qty test</li> <li>SPS QTY TEST - 1</li> <li>Incr % oxid by 5.0%</li> <li>% Fuel incr by 5±1%?</li> </ul> <p>YES → 6 Use aux sys</p> <p>NO → 7 DISPLAY FAILED</p> <p><i>Handwritten notes:</i> "NR will look into for 106", "NR ACTION out of 4 questions covered in a prop ball on failure how to determine", "SEE my comments J.S.", "do we want the wording of the question in Step 11 to agree with the symptom", "yes"</p>	<p>① Assumes SC is still thrusting. If thrusting terminated before step 1 is complete, proceed to step 4.</p> <p>② Complete thrusting prior to QTY TEST.</p> <p>③ MSFN must now supply any prprint quantity data.</p>



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<p>15</p> <p>SPS PU SNSR</p> <p>YELLOW</p> <p>Light on if:</p> <p>Unbalance in Propellants &gt;600 lbs or 90% of critical unbalance or Disagreement between Primary &amp; Auxiliary sensors &gt; 3% for fuel or oxidizer</p>	<p>1 SPS OXID UNBAL ind</p> <p>Within limits?</p> <p>YES</p> <p>7 SPS OXID &amp; FUEL QTY ind</p> <p>Normal?</p> <p>YES</p> <p>8 • PUG MODE - AUX • SPS OXID &amp; FUEL QTY ind</p> <p>Normal?</p> <p>YES</p> <p>10 PUGS MALFUNCTION DETECTION CIRCUITRY OR C/W CIRCUITRY FAILURE</p> <p>• PUG MODE - PRIM</p>	
<p>16</p> <p>ROUGH ECO</p> <p>YELLOW</p> <p>MASTER ALARM</p> <p>RED</p> <p>Lights &amp; alarm tone if:</p> <p>Vibration level of 180 g's peak-to-peak for 50-90 msec, or 360 g's peak-to-peak for 30-70 msec</p>	<p>Manual ECO</p> <p>• ΔV THRUST (2) - OFF</p> <p>• MASTER ALARM pb - push</p> <p>Burn mission critical?</p> <p>YES</p> <p>2 MSFN verifies abnormal eng operation?</p> <p>YES</p> <p>3 POSSIBLE COMBUSTION INSTABILITY OR INSTRUMENTATION FAILURE</p> <p>4 SPS COMBUSTION INSTABILITY</p> <p>5 Attempt burn completion</p> <p>• CMC Burn</p> <p>• ΔV THRUST (2) - NORMAL</p> <p>• PRO or ENTR</p> <p>When FL V99 IN40</p> <p>• ΔV THRUST (2) - NORMAL</p> <p>• PRO</p> <p>• SCS Burn</p> <p>• ΔV THRUST (2) - NORMAL</p> <p>• THC - +X or DIR</p> <p>ULL pb - push hold</p> <p>• THRUST ON pb - push or SPS THRUST - DIR</p> <p>ON (lock)</p> <p>• Terminate burn on ΔV or time</p>	<p>① SPS operability dependent upon subsequent investigation.</p> <p>② Engine restart should not be attempted within 5 seconds from initial ignition in order to avoid undesirable helium pressure excursions.</p>

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- This box should be identical to step of SPS #2*
- In order to get the light one FCSM must be at A or B*
- This will close one set of bell valves and the switch should be placed at reset/overhaul to give double bank open for mission critical burns*
- mark master's rules remain & new will be ignored*
- all burns*



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if mission rule now plan to leave SPS in P/overmode

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Telecom - Frank Muscato

Balance Mission Rules manual with FO & crew

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